(c) whether it is a fact that the Eastern Naval Command has not been able to trace the body of the missing commander;

(d) whether there has been any such incident in other commands in the past; and

(e) if so, what steps have been taken to trade these missing officers of the Navy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) One Naval Officer in the rank of Commander fell overboard from an Indian Naval Ship on the 18th December, 1987 while the ship was sailing from Visakhapatnam to Madras, on a routine exercise. Extensive search by ships and aircraft was launched immediately after the officer's absence was noticed. The search was called off after four days as survival was improbable thereafter in the given sea conditions.

(d) During the past 2 years, there have been no such incident in the Navy.

(e) Subsequent to abandoning the sea/air search and rescue operations, the local Port/Police authorities were informed of the incident and advised to maintain a look out.

Per capita consumption of milk and cereals in Rajasthan

1024. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the per capita consumption of milk and cereals in Rajasthan as compared with other states; and

(b) the steps taken to boost the consumption of these items in the States where consumption is lower than the national average?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) According to 'An Operations Oriented study of Food and Nutrition' for the State of Rajasthan (1980-81), conducted by the Department of Food, Government of India, the consumption of milk and its products and cereals in Rajasthan is 202 gm. and 459 gm/consumption unit/day respectively. Position with regard to Consumption of milk and its products and cereals in the other states surveyed by the Department of Food including Rajasthan is given below:

gm/consumption unit/day

	State	Milk & Milk Products	Cereals
1.	Rajasthan	202	459
2.	Haryana	382	534
3.	Himachal Pradesh	265	593
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	133	523
5.	Uttar Pradesh	144	561
6.	Punjab	396	494
7.	Delhi (Urban Slum)	190	395

State	Milk & Milk Products	Cereals
8. Madhya Pradesh	85	522
9. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	8	524
10. Goa, Daman & Diu	55	458
11. Orissa	38	487
12. Sikkim	97	480
13. Tripura	52	480
14. Bihar	46	481
15. Andaman & Nicobar Islands	52	413
16. West Bengal	51	537
17. Kerala	54	357
18. Pondicherry	65	459

(b) In order to improve the consumption of cereals and milk and milk products several programmes have been taken up during the Sixth and Seventh Plan periods. The agricultural sector is concentrating on improving the qualitative and quantitative aspects of crop production and improvement of post-harvest technology in order to minimise the losses. Besides, the public distribution system is being expanded in order to provide the cereals to the weaker sections. Simultaneously efforts are being made to enhance the purchasing power of rural masses by taking up various income and employment generation programmes under development and other sectors.

Production of milk is proposed to be increased through various programmes of animal husbandry. Priority is being given for the crossbreeding of cattle, provision of balanced feed, modern livestock management practices including animal health care to bring about increased milk production. Besides, milk products technology is being modernised and implemented for collection, processing and distribution of milk and milk products. Efforts are being made to increase consumption of milk and cereals, particularly among nursing mothers and children through education and publicity.

Letter of intent to electronic units.

1025. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of letters of intent issued during the last three years for setting up of electronic units in Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan and West Bengal;

(b) whether these letters of intent have not been utilised by many entrepreneurs; and

(c) if so, the number of letters of intent which have not been utilised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) to (c) The num-